GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:590
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PENDING DRINKING WATER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received applications under Centrally sponsored Schemes from various developmental agencies at district/State levels for grants of drinking water projects during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a large number of such applications are still pending for consideration and approval;

(d) if so, the reasons for such delay; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to clear the pendency?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 590 due for reply on 06.05.2005

(a) to (e) For rural drinking water projects, Government of India make State-wise allocation of funds as per the inter-State Accelarated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) ratio fixed for the year and the State Governments, in turn, make district-wise allocations. At present projects for rural drinking water supply are not sanctioned by Government of India. Only in the year 2002-03, project proposals were obtained from the nodal agencies of States/UTs and cleared by Government of India under Swajaldhara scheme. Balance proposals which had been received in the Government of India and could not be considered in the year 2002-03, were returned to respective State Governments for consideration on priority as per the Swajaldhara Guidelines issued in June 2003 within the allocated amount communicated to the State for the year 2003-04. All projects during 2003-04 and subsequent years were approved by the respective District Water and Sanitation Committee (DWSC) / State Water and Sanitation Mission (SWSM). As such, no applications from developmental agencies from district/State level is pending for approval with the Center. The state-wise details of proposals received and cleared under Swajaldhara in the year 2002-03 are given at Annexure I.

Similarly, for Sub Mission projects for providing safe drinking water to rural habitations facing water quality problems, powers have been delegated to the States to sanction these projects with effect from 01.04.1998 and no applications are pending with the Center for approval.

Annexure I

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 590 due for reply on 06.05.2005

Status of Swajaldhara 2002-03 As on 15.4.2005

Rs. In lakh

Sl.No.	Name of the State	No. of Proposals submitted	No. of Schemes approved	Total Cost	GOI Share Amount Released	Expenditure	
1	Andhra Pradesh	9037	1650	9082.78	7951.43	7840.4	4453.21
2	Assam	103	53	831.78	757.59	480.37	244.48
3	Chhattisgarh	266	102	283.1	263	242.01	115.85
4	DNH	1	1	9.98	9.48	4.74	0
5	Gujarat	136	30	184.42	167.97	162.54	92.92
6	Haryana	45	2	24.55	21.95	10.98	7.85
7	Himachal Pradesh	495	471	714.66	652.78	335.79	118.15

8 Jammu & Kashmir	2					
9 Karnataka	247	55	246.09	218.15	161.01	40.68
10 Kerala	536	116	616.33	535.72	279.54	128.88
11 Madhya Pradesh	819	87	563.85	529.01	481.13	222.85
12 Maharashtra	1491	782	8261.52	7427.66	5836.64	3020.53
13 Nagaland	14					
14 Orissa	474	287	725.39	671.68	456.91	108.69
15 Punjab	53					
16 Rajasthan	224	35	412.52	374.52	374.52	205.68
17 Sikkim	1					
18 Tamil Nadu	1255	389	1521.07	1395	1394.63	856.38
19 Tripura	5					
20 Uttar Pradesh	5053	655	1236.79	1132.05	814.51	3.1
21 West Bengal	115	8	52.19	47.76	33.73	9.96
Total	20372	4723	24767.02	22155.74	18909.45	9629.21